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Group No. 2831

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

With respect to the Notice of Allowability mailed 26 January 2005, Applicant notes that the PAIR system does not provide any acknowledgment of a recordation of the Assignment filed 30 December 2004, which assigns rights from Verta AG to FFA Automotive AG.

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Issue Fee, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

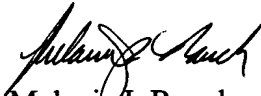
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The purpose of pointing out this omission is to ensure that the current Assignee, FFA Automotive AG, will be listed as the Assignee on the face of the issued patent. A copy of the Assignment, Recordation Form Cover Sheet, and stamped postcard are attached.

If these Comments are unclear, please contact Applicants' undersigned attorney. The undersigned can be reached at (847) 490-1400.

Respectfully submitted,



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